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Warsaw, April 12.

THE Moscovite Ambassadors who have been some time in their Journey are now in few days expected here. It is said they come fully instructed to conclude the Offensive and Defensive Alliance with this Crown, of which mention has been so often made, but whether they will be able to perfect a work which has been so long in agitation, time must shew; The Popes Nuncio here labours all he can to advance it, and has promised to pay 500 thousand Livres to such person as the King shall appoint, immediately after the War is declared against the Turks; and he farther assures us, That the King of *Spain* has consented to the raising of the Tenths upon the Clergy of *Naples*, *Sicily*, and *Milan*: and that the Prince Regent of *Portugal* will permit the same to be done within his Territories. We are likewise told that the French King has promised to give this Crown a powerful Succour; That the King of *Sueden* will assist us with 4000 men; The Elector of *Brandenburg* with two; and the Duke of *Savoy* with a Regiment of Dragoons. But after all it's believed that no final Resolution will be taken in an affair of this Importance, but in a general Dyet of this Kingdom.

Berlin, May 7. Sir *Robert Southwell*, is expecting an answer upon what he proposed to the Commissioners at their late conference, and has so much the more reason to believe it will be to his satisfaction, for that the Elector has absolutely rejected the overture which Monsieur *Rabenac*, the French Minister here, made of a defensive Allyance between the King his Master and his Electoral Highness. At the same time we have an account of the good success which the Marquis *de Grana*, has had in his Errand to the Electors, *Palatine*, *Mentz*, and *Trier*, as well as other Princes of the Empire, whom he found disposed to concur with the Emperor in such resolutions as should be thought necessary for their common security. That the Elector of *Bavaria*, has likewise declared that he will not separate from the common Interests of the Empire; and that the Elector of *Saxony* (who is perfectly recovered of his late Indisposition) is very desirous to have an English Minister at his Court, and to make an Allyance with His Majesty for the preserving the Peace of Christendome.

Hanouer, April 30. This day was performed the Funeral Solemnity of the late Duke of *Hanouer*, at which the Bishop of *Osnabrug*, now Duke of *Hanouer*, assisted as chief Mourner, being followed by the Deputies of most of the Princes of the Empire, and many other Persons of Quality. The particulars of the Proceeding are too many to be here related, and therefore we can only say in general, that they were all answerable to the Dignity of the Deceased.

Brussels, May 10. The French continue their motions upon our Frontiers, and while they pass from these parts towards the *Meuse*, their Troops from the *Saar*, and those Quarters, march this way. This day a Body of their Infantry is to Encamp near *Maubeuge*, to assist at those Fortifications, and for the same purpose they will have another Camp at *Menin*, for the finishing the Cittadel that is making there. At the same time they are buying, in the Countreys of *Guedres*, *Juliers*, and *Cleves*, a great many Horses: Some French Officers are likewise come hither, and others gone to *Malines*, to do the like; they buy none under 16 hands and an half high, and give good Prices. The Count *d'Archinto* the Spanish Envoy having finished his Negotiation with the Princes of the House of *Lunenburg*, has taken a turn into *Holstein*, and from thence will go to the Court of *Denmark*. The News at Court this Morning is, That the Elector of *Bavaria* has absolutely refus'd the Alliance the French proposed to him, declaring he could not do otherwise without abandoning the Interests of the Emperor and the Empire, which he was bound to the utmost of his Power to defend; and that several other Princes of the Empire have likewise declared their resolutions to unite in the common Interests. The Duke of *Juliers*, who is to be our Governor, is as we are told raising three Regiments to bring with him into the Service of these Countries. From *Alsace* they write, That Count *Mansfelt*'s Baggage was arrived at *Strasburg*, and that he himself was daily expected there in his way to *France*; and that the French Treat the Elector Palatine's Subjects with great rigour for the Arrears of Contributions which they pretend to.

Hague, May 10. The States of *Holland* are not yet come to a Resolution in the matter of the Moneys they are to raise. This being the Princesses Birth-day the Court appears in great Gallantry, and will be entertained at night with a Comedie and a Ball, given by the Heer *Van Odyke*.

Marseilles, May 2. This Morning arrived here a Bark of this place from *Tituan*, the Patron whereof reports, That there had been a very sharp Engagement between an English Frigat and five *Algierines* near *Cape Spartell*, of which two were sunk and one taken, the other two escaping; that the men of those two *Algierines* that were sunk, were saved by the English, being in all near 1000 Turks and Christian Slaves. *P. S.* It is said that the English Frigat above mentioned was assisted by two Frigats more from *Tangier*, who upon the noise of the Guns came to her assistance; which we shall be glad to have Confirmed.

Paris, May 11. The third Instant the Regiment of Guards, making five Batallions, in each 600 men, was drawn up in *Batallia* in the Plain of *Nanterre*, in the Presence of the King, Queen, Dauphin and Dauphiness. The same day the Sieur *Boham*, who formerly Commanded a Body of men in *Hun-*

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